

## TOWN OF BEAUX ARTS VILLAGE TOWN BULLETIN DECEMBER 2014

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WABA Board Mtg. 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday, 7:00pm December 4<sup>th</sup> Deitrick Town Council 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday, 7:00pm December 9<sup>th</sup> Leider Ladies Cookie Social Monday, 7:00pm December 15<sup>th</sup> Bennett

Planning Commission 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday, 7:00pm *No Meeting this month!* 

Christmas Ship Thursday, 8:40pm December 18<sup>th</sup> Beach

Town WEBSITE: <a href="http://www.beauxarts-wa.gov/">http://www.beauxarts-wa.gov/</a>

SALES TAX NUMBER: #1703 E-MAIL ADDRESSES:

Town Hall: <a href="mailto:townhall@beauxarts-wa.gov">townhall@beauxarts-wa.gov</a>
Building Department: <a href="mailto:bldgdept@beauxarts-wa.gov">bldgdept@beauxarts-wa.gov</a>
Town Council: <a href="mailto:council@beauxarts-wa.gov">council@beauxarts-wa.gov</a>

## **COUNCIL BUSINESS**: At the November Council meeting, the Council:

- Held the second of two public hearings to discuss the 2015 Budget. The Council will pass an ordinance adopting the 2015 Budget at the December meeting.
- Held a public hearing to discuss the 2015 Property-Tax Levy. The Council passed Ordinance No. 413 authorizing a 1% increase in the levy and setting the 2015 levy amount.
- Discussed the Planning Commission's request to study historic homes in Beaux Arts and determine if there are ways to encourage their preservation. The Council authorized the Planning Commission to proceed with this study and develop recommendations for the Council's consideration.
- Continued its discussion of the AT&T Proposal to install wireless facilities on the water tower. The Council will continue this discussion at the December meeting and will likely make a decision about whether to continue to pursue the proposal or not.
- Added simple updates to the Council's Strategic Plan for the Stormwater Comprehensive Master Plan, the Comprehensive Emergency Management Plan and the ROW Master Plan.

**NEXT COUNCIL MEETING:** The next regular meeting of the Town Council will be held at **7:00pm on Tuesday, December 9th, 2014** at Richard Leider's house.

**THE STREET DEPARTMENT NEEDS YOUR HELP:** This is the time of year when the combination of falling leaves and lots of rain combine to clog our storm drains in a hurry. If you see a clogged drain near your home, please take a moment to rake away any debris that may have collected around the drain so that stormwater running off the streets can drain away.

**EASTBOUND I-90 HOV RAMP TO BELLEVUE WAY CLOSED FOR 35 DAYS, STARTING DECEMBER 1**<sup>st</sup>! BELLEVUE – Carpools, vanpools and transit will need to use the mainline exit from eastbound Interstate 90 to Bellevue Way during a 35-day closure of the Bellevue Way HOV exit from eastbound I-90. The closure begins Monday, Dec. 1, at 9 p.m. Eastbound I-90 drivers heading to Bellevue Way should not use the I-90 express lanes during the closure as they will be unable to exit to Bellevue Way from the center roadway. Instead they should use the mainline to exit at Bellevue Way or follow a signed detour via Eastgate Way and westbound I-90. Contractor crews from MidMountain

Contractors, Inc. will close the HOV off-ramp from eastbound I-90 to Bellevue Way around the clock to re-align ramp. A portion of the work is weather dependent and heavy rain or cold temperatures could delay the reopening of the ramp. This work is in preparation for the final stage of the Washington State Department of Transportation and Sound Transit's I-90 Two-Way Transit and HOV Operations project, which is adding carpool lanes to both directions of I-90 between Seattle and Bellevue. This collaboration will preserve the number of general purpose lanes for solo drivers while adding all-day carpool lanes to I-90. Building the new HOV lanes on the outer roadway of I-90 will enable construction of Sound Transit's 14-mile East Link light rail extension from Seattle to Redmond. This is the second of three long-term ramp closures for this stage of the project. Before the project wraps up in mid-2015, contractor crews will also close the HOV ramp from eastbound I-90 to Interstate 405 for up to 8 weeks. For more information, see the following links:

- Signed detour: www.wsdot.wa.gov/Projects/I90/TwoWayTransit/detourmap.htm
- I-90 Two-Way Transit/HOV Operations project: www.wsdot.wa.gov/projects/i90/twowaytransit/
- East Link light rail extension: www.soundtransit.org/eastlink

**MARSHAL REPORT:** The following crimes occurred in November per Bellevue's Crime map: <a href="http://www.crimemapping.com/map/wa/bellevue">http://www.crimemapping.com/map/wa/bellevue</a> or <a href="http://spotcrime.com/wa/bellevue">http://spotcrime.com/wa/bellevue</a>

The following concerns were reported by Enatai neighbors on NextDoor Enatai in the last month.

11/10 Suspect search, stolen vehicle South Bellevue Park & Ride

11/12 Suspicious men at door 25<sup>th</sup> near 106<sup>th</sup> 11/30 Mailbox Snooper 106<sup>th</sup> near 32<sup>nd</sup>

Beaux Arts is not exempt:

11/26 Car Prowl Near water tower

Remember to report suspicious activity immediately to 911, *then* blog to neighbors or contact our Marshal with details.

**THANK YOU – TOWN CLEAN UP:** Thank you to everyone for the great Town Cleanup at the beginning of the month! It was perfectly timed after the wind storm, maybe not so perfectly timed to the UW football schedule (we'll coordinate better with Coach Petersen next year). Judging by how full the yard waste dumpsters were, we burned a lot of calories, built a lot of muscle, cleared a lot of paths & walkways, and made the Town more beautiful.

**TOWN ROW MASTER PLAN:** Thank you also to everyone that's had a chance to provide feedback on the CREÄ design alternatives for the Town's Rights of Way. That presentation is in the process of becoming a report to the Town, wrapping up by the end of the year. The ideas in that report will be based on their research, analysis and recent community discussion. This report will provide guidance for the Town to use in the years to come, to decide if, how and where to improve the ROW's. Any action taken based on this report will have an independent detailed analysis and comment opportunity.

## SOUND TRANSIT, PROJECT UPDATE: PROJECT UPDATE: East Link Extension, South Bellevue segment completion of final design open house: wrap-up.

Thanks to all who came out for the South Bellevue segment completion of final design open house at Enatai Elementary on November 6. With more than 80 people in attendance, the open house was a great opportunity to learn more about:

- The South Bellevue Station and parking garage final design
- Early construction work coming in 2015 and 2016 along Bellevue Way and 112th Ave SE

- South Bellevue park & ride closure and transit access during construction
- Concurrent City of Bellevue projects

If you weren't able to make it, it's not too late to review the <u>materials</u> and submit feedback through the <u>online comment form</u>, or see Deputy Clerk Kulp to see a complete printed copy of the online presentation. Comments are due by Monday, December 1. For more information about the East Link Extension project, please contact the project team at 206-398-LINK or <u>eastlink@soundtransit.org</u>. You can also visit the <u>East Link Extension web page</u>. To report urgent construction matters: please call Sound Transit's 24-hour construction hotline at 1-888-298-2395.

SOUND TRANSIT LONG RANGE PLANNING: Last summer, thousands of residents expressed interest in regional transit by commenting on the Draft Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement (SEIS) for updating the Long-Range Plan, which is now released. This updated document provides the technical basis for where mass transit should expand after the current set of projects are complete in 2023, funding for which was approved by voters in 2008. The Final SEIS is now available on the Long-Range Plan webpage: www.soundtransit.org/LongRangePlan. Based on the environmental analysis, released today, the Sound Transit Board of Directors is expected to deliberate on potential changes, and adopt an updated Long-Range Plan before the end of 2014. On Nov. 20 the Sound Transit Board voted to work with the Washington State Legislature to secure local funding authority for a Sound Transit 3 ballot measure in November 2016. The agency needs additional revenue authority before voters can consider a measure for further extensions following the 2023 completion of current projects. Information on the Board's request for local funding authority is available here. Next year, Sound Transit is poised to begin a major public involvement effort to shape the Sound Transit 3 measure. High-capacity transit investments are the best way - and in many cases the only way - to significantly expand transportation capacity in the state's most congested corridors as the region's population grows a projected 30 percent by 2040. Your involvement is needed to help shape the path forward. Stay tuned! For more information:

- Visit soundtransit.org/LongRangePlan
- Questions? Call 206-903-7000 or e-mail <u>LongRangePlan@soundtransit.org</u> For information in alternative formats, call 1-800-201-4900 / TTY Relay: 711 or email <u>accessibility@soundtransit.org</u>

**PAINT CANS:** Have you ever wondered, "What do I do with paint cans?" Republic Services offers these suggestions: If you have leftover paint, donate it to a local charity or post on Craigslist OR <a href="Latex Paint">Latex Paint</a>: Empty, dried-out latex paint cans may be placed in your grey garbage container. <a href="Oil-Based Paint">Oil-Based Paint</a>: Oil-based paint cans are not allowed in the garbage. Please take them to the King County Household Hazardous Waste drop-off location at: 13800 SE 32nd St, Bellevue, WA (*Open Tues-Fri, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. and weekends 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.*)

**OTHER WASTE SERVICE QUESTIONS:** The holidays are a good time for reminders of what can be recycled, composted, or put in the garbage – especially for packaging, Christmas trees, or remembering how the holidays will impact your pick up (one day late). Remember to check out <u>Republic Services'</u> website or contact them directly at 425-452-4762:

http://www.republicservices.com/corporate/home.aspx

Frequently asked questions:

http://www.republicservices.com/site/bellevue/en/pages/faqs.aspx

Holiday suggestions for going greener:

http://www.republicservices.com/site/republic-nw/en/documents/holidayrecyclingflyer.pdf

Reminders based on services available in Beaux Arts' contract, with pdf links for specific services: <a href="http://www.republicservices.com/site/beaux-arts/en/pages/location.aspx">http://www.republicservices.com/site/beaux-arts/en/pages/location.aspx</a>

You can also find additional information on what can be taken to the <u>King County Transfer station in Factoria</u> at: (http://your.kingcounty.gov/solidwaste/facilities/factoria-transfer.asp?ID=418)

**BOY SCOUTS CHRISTMAS TREE RECYLING:** Local Boy Scout Troop 600 will recycle Christmas Trees on January 3<sup>rd</sup>, as they do annually. You can schedule a pick up before year-end, or drop your tree off at Clyde Hill Elementary on 1/3/15. For more information see their website: <a href="http://www.recyclemytree.org/">http://www.recyclemytree.org/</a>

TOWN BUILDING NEWS: No permits were issued by the Building Dept. in November.

Other Reminders:

http://www.beauxarts-wa.gov/bldg\_dept.htm

Contractors are responsible for keeping the street adjacent to their construction project clear of construction-related debris and open for the passage of vehicles and pedestrians. Any resident who feels they have been adversely impacted by construction-related debris left on the roadway or by restrictions to their ability to use the roadway should either contact the contractor on the jobsite directly or Deputy Clerk Angela Kulp.

**IN MEMORIAM:** Previous villager **Harold Kunkle** passed away Halloween night at the age of 84. Harold is survived by his wife Anne, children William, Andrew, James, and Marion, and his younger brother and sister. He was predeceased by son Matthew. While living in Beaux Arts (1963-87) in what is now the Wells' home, Harold served on the City Council for 12 years, 4 of it as mayor. Harold worked for Merrill Lynch and volunteered as a tax consultant through AARP. He was an avid gardener, loved teasing, his church, football and chutney. His memorial service was held November 6<sup>th</sup> at the Emerald Heights Retirement Community. Our sympathies go out to Harold's family and friends.

**COYOTE SIGHTINGS:** Beaux Arts has always been home to a variety of wildlife so it's no surprise to see animals or evidence of them here. But after a long absence, coyotes have been spotted daily in November throughout Enatai, (<a href="https://enataisurreydowns.nextdoor.com/login/">https://enataisurreydowns.nextdoor.com/login/</a>), and in Beaux Arts; especially around the water tower, our beach & woodlands areas. *Coyotes are curious but timid animals, and will generally run away* if challenged. Although typical night hunters, coyotes are out during the day which means they're *hungry*. Coyotes are more likely to become aggressive when hungry or fed by humans. Therefore, please remember:

- Do not approach or feed
- Keep garbage and yard-waste cleaned up and all containers secure
- Feed pets indoors and keep their food inside and secured
- Bring outdoor pets inside at night and provide them with a secure place when outside
- Eliminate hiding places around brush near children's play areas and pet pens
- Keep small children/pets near you, put dogs on a leash when out walking
- Make noise while walking, especially at night
- Pick up small children/pets immediately and act aggressively if a coyote approaches too closely
- Call your local wildlife office or state patrol if a coyote continues to act aggressively

For more information on coyotes, see the Washington State Department of Fish and Wildlife website on the section about "Living with Coyotes" at <a href="http://wdfw.wa.gov/living/coyotes.html">http://wdfw.wa.gov/living/coyotes.html</a>.

LADIES CHRISTMAS COOKIE EXCHANGE/SOCIAL: <u>Karla Bennett</u> has graciously offered to host this fun, annual tradition at her home on <u>Monday</u>, <u>December 15</u>, 2014, 7:00-9:00pm! Bringing cookies is completely optional. If baking doesn't fit into your busy December schedule, don't bother with the cookies, but please come share some holiday cheer! If you would like to participate in the cookie exchange, please bring a platter of 2-3 dozen cookies. Containers for bringing cookies home will be provided. Village ladies, don't miss this fun, social opportunity to connect with your neighbors!

**WABA BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING:** The next meeting of the WABA Board of Trustees will be on Thursday, December 4<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM at the Deitrick residence.

**WELCOME:** Please welcome our newest WABA members, Robert and Jennifer Heinz, their two daughters Ashley and Morgan, and their dog Duke to Beaux Arts! They purchased the Stratton house and moved in a few weeks ago.

**CHRISTMAS SHIP:** The Christmas Ship will be stopping off at the Beaux Arts Beach on <u>Thursday</u>, <u>December 18<sup>th</sup> from 8:40 to 9:00 PM</u>. If you would like to help with the bonfires or hot chocolate, please contact the WABA Clerk.

WINTER DINNER: The annual Winter Dinner and Business meeting will be on Saturday, January 31<sup>st</sup> at the Bellevue Red Lion Hotel. We hope to see everyone there! If you're interested in helping with menu planning, nametags, center pieces, invitations, or etc., please contact the WABA Clerk.

**WABA WINTER DINNER SLIDESHOW - PHOTOS NEEDED:** Time to dig out your favorite photos of 2014! Do you have photos from the annual Easter Egg Hunt? Or maybe some from our very warm summer down at the beach? It's not too late to get them into the slide show for the Winter Dinner. Please email them to Janet Griswold; thank you!

**WABA BUDGET DISCUSSION:** Preliminary discussions for the 2015 WABA budget will begin soon. If you have any suggestions, questions, or comments about current or proposed budget items please contact the WABA Clerk or any WABA Board Member.

**NOMINATING COMMITTEE:** If you're interested in serving on the Board or would like to help in the process of interviewing prospective new trustees please contact the WABA Clerk.

**GREENBOOK UPDATES:** The residents directory is always available to download and print from the WABA website (<a href="www.waba1908.com">www.waba1908.com</a>) in 'Member Resources' in the Greenbook section after you've logged into the website. The directory and residence map are updated regularly. If you would like a hard copy, please contact the WABA Clerk.

**WABA WEBSITE:** To log into the WABA website, your email address must be on file with the WABA Clerk. Your email address is your username. To login, enter your email address and password. If you do not have a password or have forgotten yours, click on the 'forgot password' link and a new one will be emailed to you.

**BEACHMASTER REPORT:** On the weekend of Oct. 11<sup>th</sup>, I am surmising someone accidentally drove their vehicle onto the steps to the swim dock. The top concrete step was broken off in the

accident. Please let me know if you witnessed this accident. On a good note, just in time for your polar bear swim, the island swim dock has a new ladder. Please thank Paul Driftmeyer for making this happen. -Forrest

**WABA HISTORY CORNER:** Which Beaux Arts Founder has a connection to a Viking Ship? *Watch for answer next month!* 

<u>November's answer:</u> Bron's (Calvert house) living room became Peggy Green's dance studio for ballet practice when she lived there (1920-1961). Bonus points if you can name any current residents that took ballet from Mrs. Green!

## NEED TO CONTACT TOWN STAFF?

• Contact <u>Clerk-Treasurer Sue Ann Spens</u> if you have questions about issues before the Council, general Town business, or Water-Department concerns.

townhall@beauxarts-wa.gov (425) 454-8580

10550 SE 27<sup>th</sup> Street, Beaux Arts, WA 98004 <a href="http://www.beauxarts-wa.gov/">http://www.beauxarts-wa.gov/</a> Mayor: <a href="mayor@beauxarts-wa.gov">mayor@beauxarts-wa.gov</a> Town Council: council@beauxarts-wa.gov

• Contact <u>Deputy Clerk Angela Kulp</u> if you have questions or submissions for this newsletter, building department, permits, variances, or issues before the Planning Commission or Hearing Examiner.

bldgdept@beauxarts-wa.gov (425) 269-6985

10550 SE 27<sup>th</sup> Street, Beaux Arts, WA 98004 <a href="http://www.beauxarts-wa.gov/">http://www.beauxarts-wa.gov/</a>

• Report <u>Block Watch</u> concerns, contact: <u>Town Marshal Walter Scott:</u> (425) 454-2573

<u>Deputy Marshal Scott Harpster:</u> (425) 746-0757

**NEED TO CONTACT WABA?** WABA Members may contact <u>WABA Clerk **Kristin Mange**</u> for any concerns or questions you have about the Western Academy of Beaux Arts, regarding the beach or its reservations, parking stickers, green book, WABA social events or issues before the Board of Trustees.

wabaclerk@gmail.com 425-502-7382

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